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Sir:

In February classroom space will be available for a few children from Appomattox County who have special learning problems . . . in a school now being organized in Lynchburg. This is a very good thing. Any step taken toward providing help for children with special learning problems cannot help being a step in the right direction.

But it is not enough. The number of children who can be helped in this program at this time is necessarily limited . . . and there are close to a hundred children in this county who are known to have learning handicaps! What about them? What is being done for them, what can be done? Who cares? As one deeply concerned set of parents, we care. So does every other concerned person, parent or not.

It has been said that a nation's most precious resource is its children. The same goes for counties. Every child has a right to be educated to the fullest extent of his ability to learn.

If we don't have the means, here in the county, of reaching and teaching our boys and girls who need special help, then the time has come for those who care most to ask why and what can be done. And to work together to do what needs to be done about this unhappy situation.

Sincerely,
Carl Myers Martin

Dear Editor and Readers:

We are the parents of a handicapped child. Are you? Who cares about a handicapped child that belongs to someone else? We do! and many others, I am sure.

We, as parents, must do what we can to help and to see that the handicapped child gets his education. This child must and should have Special Education with and 1 STRESS, specially trained teachers in order for them to learn to their greatest potential. A special education teacher is trained and knows how to cope with and teach the handicapped.

We do not have this educational program in the Appomattox County schools and there is a great need!

The current program of individualized teaching in the school with the necessary materials is progressive. Yet, this program is not meeting the needs of the handicapped child.

As parents it is our responsibility to see that handicapped children have the opportunity to live their own lives to the best of their ability.

Therefore, we parents and others concerned for the handicapped must work and strive together to achieve this greatly needed goal of Special Education classes in our schools.

I urge you all, let's see what we can do about the education for our handicapped children that they so richly deserve.

Sincerely yours,
Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Harden

MRS. WEBB NAMED TO SCHOOL BOARD

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Lyle Garrett who during that time also served as chairman of the board. Mr. Garrett was the Stonewall district representative. Redistricting of the county caused the meeting of the Trustees Electoral Board to be held, in that Dr. A. A. Fraizer's home became a part of Stonewall district rather than Southside which he had been representing.

Purpose of the meeting was also the appointment of reappointment of members of the School Board on a staggered basis.

Floyd W. Fleshman, Jr., of Appomattox, recently appointed as Southside district representative on the Trustees Electoral Board, sat with the board for the first time Saturday morning.

Fleshman replaces C. C. Harvey as Southside district representative. Mr. Harvey resigned the position for reasons of health.

Mrs. Webb, newest appointee to the school board, is a former school teacher, and is the wife of Martin L. Webb, owner and manager, Webb's Tire Service. The Webbs are parents of one sons, Douglas, a junior at Appomattox County High School.

Dr. Fratrick is an Appomattox physician. Dr. Gray is an attorney, a professor at Washington and Lee University and a landowner and cattle grower in Appomattox county.

The School Trustees Electoral Board has called a meeting for Thursday, Dec. 30, at 10 a. m, to name an additional member to the county school board, a member at large.

According to board chairman Farrar, any appointee to the School Board is limited to two terms (eight years, total). The chairman said that this action enables a greater number of people to serve on the school board and is an effort to involve as many people as possible in the work and activities of the public school system.

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The Pastor Speaks

The Incomparable Christ

Acts 20:20

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He possessed neither wealth nor influence. His relatives were inconspicuous, and had neither training nor formal education.

In infancy He startled a King; in childhood he puzzled doctors; in manhood he ruled the course of nature, walked upon the billows as if pavements and hushed the sea to sleep.

He never wrote a book and yet all the libraries in the country could not hold all the books that have been written about Him.

He healed the multitudes without medicine and made no charge for His service.

He never wrote a song and yet he has furnished a theme for more songs than all the song writers combined.

He never founded a college but all the schools put together can not boast as having as many students.

He never ran an army, nor drafted a soldier, nor fired a gun; and yet no leader ever had more volunteers who under his orders made more rebels stack arms and surrender without a shot fired.

He never practiced psychiatry and yet he healed more broken hearts than all the doctors far and near.

Once each week the wheels of commerce cease their turning and multitudes wend their way to worshiping assemblies to pay homage and respect to him.

The names of the past proud statesmen of Greece and Rome have come and gone. The names of the past scientist, philosophers, theologians have come and gone, but the name of this man abounds more and more. Though time has spread 1900 years between the people of this generation and the scene of His crucifixion, yet he still lives. Herod could not destroy him and the grave could not hold him.

He stands forth upon the highest pinnacle of heavenly glory. Proclaimed as God, acknowledged by angels, adored by saints and feared by Demons as the living personal Christ, Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ, The Son of Almighty God.

Rev. Earnie Lucas, Pastor
Bible Baptist Church
Appomattox, Va. 24622

THE BIBLE SPEAKS
BY LAWRENCE W. ALTHOUSE

POWER OF CHRISTMAS

Lesson for December 19, 1971

Background Scripture: Luke 1: 26-38; 2:1-20

Perhaps one of the reasons that the mystery of the Christmas power often eludes us is that we have forgotten just how unsatisfiable and unlikely a birthplace a stable is. The stables and mangers on our Christmas cards and in our creches look rather quaint and antiseptically romantic. The stables are always clean and colorful, the mangers always picturesque, and the animals well scrubbed and sweet smelling.

The "Earthen Vessels"

If that is the way the Christmas stable has been "prettied-up" in your mind, then maybe the best Pilgrimage you could make in this season would be to the closest stable – equipped with a can of air spray and a pair of hip boots, for there is nothing quaint and romantic about a real stable. Thus, when God chooses a stable as the birthplace of his Son, he is saying to us something very important: that He reveals Himself and works in this world through the common, ordinary, earthy things that men count as unimportant. As Paul put it, "We have this treasure in earthen vessels . . ." The majesty of God is continually expressed in what Emerson calls "the mud and scum of things."

I'm told that there is a sign in Philadelphia's Hayden Planetarium that reads: "TO THE SOLAR SYSTEMS AND REST-ROOMS" There is some truth there, for the loftiest pursuits never get far away from the most basic needs. There is nowhere in this world where the beauty and glory of God cannot penetrate, nothing so soiled that it cannot be cleansed, nothing so low that it cannot be lifted up.

"Power Under Weakness"

Thus, the power of Christmas is the power of God to transform his creation with new life. He shows us how holy all of life can be. God incarnate in a newborn baby, born to simple people in an anonymous stable, laid for all the world to see in the food trough of barnyard beasts. If God could see the potentialities of these simple things, so must we.

As we approach the day of Christmas, then, let us stand in awe once again of the God who stoops so low to come into this imperfect world. In one of Matthew Hale's poems, he says:

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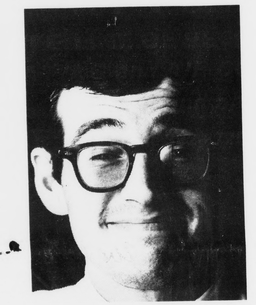

cash for Christmas!

What is it about Christmas that makes us feel and act so differently? Maybe it has something to do with love and the chance to give to people we really care about.
But giving costs money.
And the thought of all those bills coming due in January can spoil the joy.
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C. S. Supt. - Ben Wheeler
Worship - 11:00 a. m.
Methodist Youth Fellowship - 6:15 p. m.
Worship - 7:00 p. m.
SUNDAY -
Sanctuary Choir - 7:45 p. m.

PROVIDENCE BAPTIST

Red House, Va.
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Preaching -11 a.m.-2nd Sunday 7:30 p.m. - 4th Sunday

APPO PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS CHURCH

Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Sunday Worship - 11 a.m.
Youth Service - 6:30 p.m.
Evangelistic Service-7:30 p.m.
Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting – 7:30 p.m.

REEDY SPRINGS

Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Preaching –
11 a.m. – 1st Sunday
7:30 p.m. - 3rd Sunday

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Jonnie Murray, Pastor
Appomattox, Virginia
Church School - 9:45
J. A. Hamlet - Supt.
Worship - 2nd and 4th Sunday 11:00 A.M.
Youth Choir - rehearsal Thursday 4:30 p.m.

APPOMATTOX COURT HOUSE PRESBYTERIAN

Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Supt. Brod Pack
Morning Worship 11:00 a.m.
Guest Speaker Rev. Floyd Lucas
Special Music:
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DECEMBER 15 & 22 - 7:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal.
DECEMBER 19 - 6:30 p.m. Family night Covered Dish Supper
DECEMBER 19 - 8:00 p.m. Cantata "An Appalachian Nativity" presented by choir Choir Director Mrs. Karen Gibson

ST. ANNE'S EPISCOPAL

Oakleigh Avenue
Rev. William M. Latta, Vicar
Fourth Sunday in Advent
9:30 –Morning Prayer & Sermon
Church School & Nursery
Christmas Eve
11:30 p.m. -Holy Communion
Officers for 1972:
Senior Warden: Dr. John A. Mathews
Junior Warden: Mr. A. E. Hopkinson
Register: Mrs. Eleanor A. Scott
Treasurer: Miss Edith O'Brien
Delegate to Council: Capt. W. W. Blythe
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A PERSONAL PROBLEM

Women who must undergo surgery for breast cancer are helped back to everyday life through the Reach to Recovery Program of the American Cancer Society.

RED OAK BAPTIST

G. Edward Hughes, Pastor
Sunday School – 9:45 a.m.
Robert Lucado –Director
Training Union –6:30 p.m.
Berkley Cabiness –Director
First & Third Sunday:
Sunday School –9:45 a.m.
Preaching –10:55 – a.m.
Training Union – 6:30 p.m.
Second & Fourth Sunday
Sunday School –9:45 a.m.
Training Union –6:30 p.m.
Evening Worship – 7:30 p.m.
Fifth Sunday
Sunday School –9:45 a.m.
Training Union –6:30 p.m.
No Preaching
Mid-week Prayer Service — Wednesday –7:30 p.m.
B.W.C. will meet December 21 at 7:30 p.m. with Susan Wilkerson

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2nd and 4th Sundays –
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U.M.Y.F. meets at the church at 7 p.m.
W.S.C.S. – meets the Tuesday after the 2nd Sunday –7:30 p.m.
MT. COMFORT UNITED METHODIST –
Lay Leader – Lewis Moore
Church School Supt. – O. W. Martin, Jr.
1st and 3rd Sunday –
Morning Worship – 11 a.m.
Church School (Each Sunday)— 10 a.m.
U.M.Y.F. – Meets each Sunday – 7 p.m.
W.S.C.S – Meets Thurs. after the 1st Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST
Charge Lay Leader – David Martin
Church School Supt.– R. B. Martin
1st Sunday:
Morning Worship –10 a.m.
Church School – 11 a.m.
2nd and 4th Sunday –
Morning Worship – 11 a.m.
Church School – 10 a.m.
3rd and 5th Sundays

Bethlehem United Methodist

Concord, Virginia
Rev. David Boger, Minister
Mr. Douglas Franklin, Lay Assistant
Sunday School – 10 a.m.
Morning Worship – 11 a.m.
Youth Meeting – 6:45 p.m.
WED. – Prayer Meeting at parsonage – 7:30 p.m.

NEW HOPE BAPTIST

Rev. Deryl B. Holliday, Pastor
Vera, Virginia
ORDER OF SERVICES
Sunday School - 10 a.m.
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.
1st and 3rd Sunday -
Mission Friends and Girls in Action - 6:30 p.m.
2nd and 4th Sunday -
Children's and Junior Choirs - 6:30 p.m.

PRAYER SERVICE - Each Wednesday evening at 7:30 p.m.

SALEM UNITED METHODIST

Spout Spring, Va.
Rev. David Boger, Minister
Mr. Douglas Franklin, Lay Assistant
1st and 3rd Sundays:
Morning Worship – 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School – 11 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sunday:
Sunday School –10 a.m.
Morning Worship –11 a.m.
WED. Prayer Meeting– 7:30 p.m. at Parsonage

ELON BAPTIST CHURCH

Pamplin, Virginia
John R. Campbell, Pastor
Services:
Sunday 9:45 Sunday School
11:00 Morning Worship
6:00 Youth Choir Practice
7:00 Church Training Hour
WEDNESDAY
7:00 Prayer Meeting
8:00 Choir Practice

First Baptist

Regular preaching services were held at the First Baptist Church Sunday at 11 a.m., Rev. White was the speaker. Rev. H. D. Flood was in charge of the afternoon service.

Opening Section –"The No-Name Singers"; Scripture, Rev. Flood; Prayer, Mr. Norman Walker; Song, No-Name Singer; Sermon, Rev. Flood; Offering, by Deacon and Mrs. Hamlet.

Prayer for Offering – Mr. Norman Walker; Solo, Rev. James Miller.

Rev. Flood spoke from the subject "A Gift From God." Rev. White spoke from the subject "Fishing For Jesus". All present enjoyed both sermons. Church meeting will be this Sat., at 3 p.m. All members of the First Baptist Church extend our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Ada Nowlin in the passing of her brother, Rev. Thomas Wright.

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Ranson Named To Selective Service Board

Harry Eugene Ranson, Appomattox businessman and staff member, Moses Motor Company, has been named to replace Burke Guill as a member of the three - man Selective Service Board No. 8, Appomattox.

Burke Guill has retired from the position following twenty years service on the board. Guill, a veteran of the European theater, World War II, was presented congratulatory certificates and letters in special ceremonies held Wed., Dec. 8 in the local board office. Also honored for twenty years' service was Judge C. F. F. Crawley who has served the same length of time as government appeal agent. Recent changes in Selective Service regulations call for replacement of board members and other personnel at the conclusion of twenty years service. The position of government appeal agent was phased out in other changes in Selective Service policy.

Harry E. Ranson, native of Pamplin, was a member of the Armed Services for two years. He is married to the former Joan Moses.

Other members of the board are Stuart McD. Farrar and Marvin A. Herrell. The board meets monthly and like 85% of the Selective Service personnel is not paid for its work.

Meeting Time Still Under Consideration

The meeting time of the Appomattox County Board of Supervisors is a matter of consideration by Appomattox County Jaycees. R. Danny Simpson, representing the Jaycees, has notified the supervisors that a delegation will appear in January when the board annually determines the date and time of meeting.

More than 1,000 signatures were presented to the board on a petition several months ago asking that the board meet at night so that more citizens can attend meetings. The board took no action on the request at that time.

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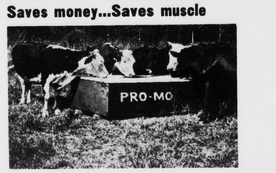

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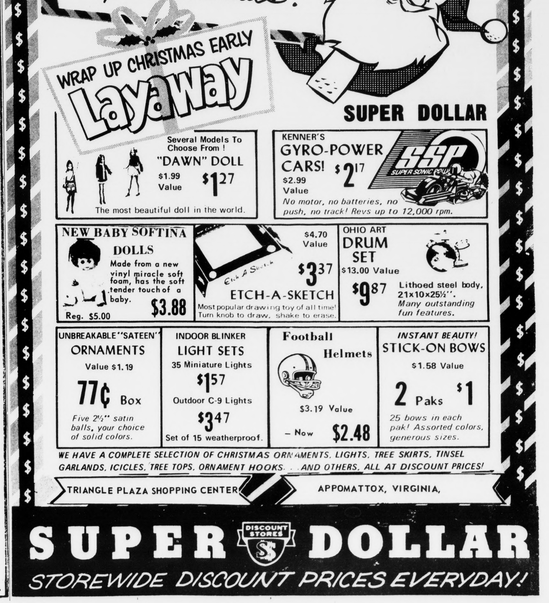
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